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THE GAZETTE.

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TO-DAY'S ANNIVERSARIES

Born: President Harrison, 1773.
Daniel Bernoulli, mathematician, 1700.
Died: Wendell Phillips, 1851.
Rizzio murdered, 1575.
Gen. Winfield S. Hancock, 1883.
William E. Dodge, New York, 1885.
Gold discovered in California, 1848.

THE LOCAL OPTION OUTLOOK.

The reports from Madison touching the local option bill, indicate that members of the prohibition party will do all in their power to defeat it. The explanation is that "they fear that if such a bill should pass, it would virtually mean the putting out of existence of the prohibition party in Wisconsin as it would take away all reason for its existence and leave only the more radical members, who constitute a very small percentage of its numbers. A secret circular is now being circulated by the prohibitionists wherever they think it will do the most good, which urges the recipients to act in opposition to the local option bill."

It may strike some as being very strange that the so-called prohibition party should attempt to antagonize such an important measure as the county option bill. But the observing man will not think it strange at all that the third party leaders will attempt to check the temperance movement. The history of the so-called prohibition party is a history crowded with inconsistency, hypocrisy, and hate. One of the dangerous principles of the third party is that it would rather have free rum and a whisky shop on every street corner than either county option law or the regulation of the liquor traffic which would cut down the number of saloons and thereby lessen the evils of drunkenness. The third party leaders attempt to protect themselves in this strange course by claiming that there is a great "principle" behind them. It was just as much a "principle" that led Paul to persecute the churches; and it was a "principle" that influenced those who led the martyrs to the stake. There have been in past a great many crimes committed in the name of what is called "principle." But what we want in this day and generation and with the liquor course filling the land, is some practical movement that will curtail its power for mischief or wipe it out altogether. It is hardly possible in this state to carry a prohibitory amendment to the constitution. It is quite evident that the foreign vote is too heavy to insure the success of such an amendment. Why not, then, get the best thing that can be reached, either higher license with stricter regulation, or what would be better still if it could be had and enforced—county option. In any great movement toward reform, a few steps forward are better than no progress at all.

The telegraph reports from Madison have this to say in regard to the prospects of the bill:

The friends of the bill now before the senate claim to be hopeful for its passage. A canvass of the members has been made, and a large number they say, are found favorable. They also expect many more converts before the bill comes up. Circulars and letters have been generally distributed throughout the state, and it is expected that they will bear fruit in the form of petitions before long. The consideration of the bill has been postponed for the present in order to allow time for everyone to become familiar with it. It is probable that Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, the well known leader in W. O. U. work, in opposition to Miss Frances Willard, will be in Madison during the winter, and that a large public meeting will be held. There will be a great deal of work done to push the bill through.

Every true friend of temperance in the state will sincerely hope that the bill will pass. It is a step in the right direction. It is a right beginning in a great movement that commands the support of every temperance worker in Wisconsin.

WISCONSIN RAILWAYS.

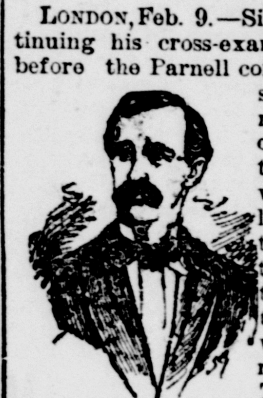
Advance sheets of the biennial report of the railway commissioner of this state have been received. The facts and figures taken from the report will prove of general interest. On December 31, 1886 there were in Wisconsin 4,773.24 miles of completed railroad. During 1887 there was an increase of 338.20 miles and in 1888 an increase of 90.34 miles. The cost of the railroads of Wisconsin, as reported to this department June 30, 1888, was \$208,867,606.27, and upon an estimated mileage of 4,213.80 the average cost per mile would be \$49,187.62. The earnings of the railroads of the state for the year ending June 30, 1888, were as follows: On passengers, \$6,266,259.35; on freight, \$17,165,369.24; on mails, express, etc., \$1,459,400.47; total, \$24,891,019.06. The operating expenses during the same period of time were \$16,635,125.34, the excess of earnings over operating expenses being \$8,255,893.72. The earnings over operating expenses of 1887 were \$7,369,587. The total capital stock of the railroads is \$97,363,515.86. The total debt is \$117,247,909.35. During the year ending June 30, 1888, the number of passengers carried was 6,779,931.

In 1887 there were killed in accidents beyond the control of the companies, 17 passengers and two employees; injured, 9 passengers, 64 employees and one other. In 1888 the number of passengers killed under this same head was two; eight employees and one other; injured, 19 passengers, 54 employees and three others. From misconduct or want of caution there were killed, in 1887, 5 passengers, 46 employees and 73 others; injured, 14 passengers, 276 employees and 51 others. In 1888 there were killed, under this head, 6 passengers, 55 employees and 61 others; injured, 23 passengers, 479 employees and 71 others. The commissioner recommends that in view of the fact that as

ANOTHER DAY'S EVIDENCE

LE CARON ON THE CROSS-EXAMINATION RACK.

His Opinion of Several Irish-Americans—Further Denials of the Informer's Testimony—Foreign News.



LONDON, Feb. 9.—Sir Charles Russell continuing his cross-examination of Le Caron before the Parnell commission, Le Caron said Mr. Anderson, a member of the home office, had allowed the witness to see the whole of the letter's last correspondence with the home office authorities, and the two together had selected the documents which were thought to be most useful to the Times. Le Caron said the brotherhood numbered 22,000 in 1882 and had since been steadily increasing. The suppression of the league and arrest of Irish members of the House of Commons gave impetus to the organization.

Replying to further questions Le Caron said in regard to certain Chicagoans mentioned in the testimony, Judge Moran was much respected, and Judge Fendegast was respected by one side and not by the other. Michael Bolan was a lawyer. His position was not good. Dr. Collins was an eminent man, and B. O'Reilly a respectable one. Gen. Collins was a man of undoubted respectability. All the delegates to the convention had credentials from the league or from clubs affiliated with the league.

Sir Charles Russell asked that the covering letters to the government be produced. The witness asked: "Do you wish to risk men's lives?" Sir Charles replied: "The judges will see the letters first and they will decide whether the names shall be published." Witness said that Mr. Parnell's only public visit to America took place early in 1880, when he attended meetings in Chicago, St. Louis and Cincinnati. In the demonstrations were exclusively in the East mainly in the hands of the revolutionary party. Members of Congress were connected with the revolutionary party. He could not mention the names of the persons who gave him information regarding the Eastern meetings. At most of these meetings the Mayor of the city met Mr. Parnell and presided. Respectable people attended these meetings.

Between the Chicago meeting in 1880 a reception committee was appointed of which Mr. Stone, a respectable American, who was not a member of the "U. B.," was chairman. Several reverend gentlemen, none of whom were members of the "U. B.," met Mr. Parnell. The chairman of the committee on arrangements and the chairman of the meeting did not belong to the "U. B.," but he could not mention one by name. Only a few "U. B." men took part in the proceedings at Cincinnati. The St. Louis meeting was fairly representative of persons of respectability, position, and eminence.

"Would it be correct to say that Mr. Parnell's reception showed that he had the sympathy of the Americans as well as of the Irish?" asked Sir Charles Russell. "It would respond to the witness."

Sir Charles Russell here quoted from the preamble of the constitution of the American league, showing that the object of the organization was the establishment of peasant proprietorship and just laws in Ireland.

Witness, continuing, said that Gen. Jones attended the Boston convention. Jones did not belong to the "U. B.," but he was the originator of the communication that passed between the "U. B." and the Fenian minister at Washington with a view to a possible war between England and Russia.

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